

Nathaniel	Seevers	43130	By changing a successful format from progressive talk radio to another, so called, "everybody" talk station, you prove that todays media is not based on free speech, expression, and information but rather on pleasing those in charge monetarily. We need nothing close to another Rush Limbaugh like talking head twisting the truth. The motto for America media is becoming increasingly clear that "when you own the information you can bend it all you want." Keep am1230 Progressive talk and let those of us in Columbus hear both sides of the issues. Allow us the right to educate ourselves.
Lisa	McClaskeu	43081	The fact that you have planned this move, in the face of your ratings being tripled, seems to point to another motive entirely. Columbus already has conservative talk on another station, including Rush, so why this? It is especially egregious that you plan to put Michael Savage, who is somewhere to the right of Hitler, a really vicious hate filled man, on the air. Please reconsider.
Heather	Weimer	43311	Keep Progressive Radio!!!
Arlene	Elder	45219	
Richard	Young	45440	There are MORE than enough conservative voices in radio. Every community needs progressive talk. We own the airwaves, and we are entitled to DIVERSITY of views.
Lynn	Fleak	43224	Free speech? Free market economy? The right wing enjoys using these phrases, but as we're seeing here, and in other radio markets, they only use them as excuses. Their interests lie in promoting what is increasingly clear as a white supremacist hate mongering stance.
Doris	Jackson	43205	This is just another political tactic that everyone with any sense can see through. I believe that the Republicans have paid Clear Channel to shut up the voice of reason and truth. To take progressive talk out of Columbus is nothing more than the far right trying to continue misleading the people by silencing dissent. Please keep Progressive Radio on the air in Columbus.
jack	fry	43213	I'am very upset to hear that you plan to change the format for the columbia station. I listen to the station all the time.
Barbara	Patterson	43081	
Eileen	Wells	43221	I listen to Al Franken and Stephanie Miller every weekday. Unlike conservative talk radio, they educate and inform their listeners. Al Franken's guests are always leaders in their fields who impart their knowledge with reason. The conservative talk radio I have heard is more emotional, inflammatory, intolerant and just plain hateful. Many people I know listen to WTPG, and I'm sure we will turn our radios off if the format changes as proposed.
Dave	Henderson	45238	We recently lost our progressive link here in Cincinnati and it is hell. I am still furious and wish that Clear Channel would go away. There is enough of the neo-con drivel out there that we need a balance, ie, the truth.
Raymond	Fusco	43205	Listen to your many listeners who appreciate and value a radio station which broadcasts from a progressive viewpoint. Please continue to fill this progressive niche. There is no shortage of conservative talk radio in central Ohio. Promote democracy through exposure to alternative viewpoints. Thank you.
Michele	Stenger	43110	Please keep Clear Channel 1230 AM in Columbus, Ohio PROGRESSIVE!
Jerry	Thomas	43026	
Amber	Walters	43031	Please save this station
Mayda	Sanchez	413211	I am a moderate. I feel it's important to have balancing views expressed in the media. This is why media ownership consolidation is wrong. We need to keep progressive radio on the air in Ohio.
Gail	Messmer	13065	We need a balance that will only b available if progressive talk is on the air. I will refuse to listen to any Clear Channel station that presents the same old conservative talk available elsewhere.
Scott	Bjornstrom	43221	

Sean	Mowery	43212	
Paul	Batt	43081	
zack	clayton	43229	There is already too much extremist hatemongering from the politico/religious conservatives. We do need the liberal wackos to balance them out. I don't listen to this station much as I just found out about it recently, advertising might have helped. But, I will listen to the new format not at all. Those views are already present on most of the airwaves. I hope the new format goes bankrupt for the cretins at ClearChannel.
Julie	Jarvis	43220	
Vicki	Andronis	43201	
Brian	Erickson	43202	I will really miss WTPG. Clear Channel will not have me as a listener when they convert the channel over.
Sharon	Streeter	97206	I'm a fan of KPOJ in Portland, Oregon. We the People own the airwaves, which our elected leaders seem to forget. Companies like Clear Channel need to hear from progressives that we want our side heard, too. In spite of the myth of liberal media, radio airwaves are dominated by right-wing idealogues. Progressive radio is a vital tool for the education of all Americans.
Christine	Cloud	43221	I was extremely upset to hear about the format change. I have been a loyal listener to the Ed Schulz show and the Stephanie Miller show. I know that they are popular and highly rated shows, thus I don't understand why they are being pulled.
Stephen	Woosley	43204	Well, all their other formats have worked so great. Why not go back to the same old crap? I won't be going anywhere near 1230 when they change.
Jennifer	Feather	43206	I think this type of radio programming is important not just o Ohio, but the whole contry. We need to have a choice. By and large, the only sort of radio talk shows are conservative at best, and screamingly right-wing at worst. I listen to progressive radio, most all of my friends and family listen to progressive radio, and we would continue listening if it stays on the air.
Tim	Deal	43026	
Karen	Koehler	43146	I am extremely disappointed that Clear Channel replacing these highly rated shows with more right wing talk. 1230 Progressive is my favorite channel on the radio dial and I listen to it all the time. It is the only place that I often hear news that is not presented on any of the major news networks. They have fantastic interviews with Dems and Republicans alike. We as citizens have the right to hear both sides and the way news is now structured, we often do not hear the liberal viewpoint. 1230 Progressive talk gives us that oppportunity. Please reconsider this decision.
Timothy	Fox	43015	Face it folks. Clear Channel is the Wal-mart of the radio. I guess I'll have to get XM or Sirius to get the radio I want to hear. I may listen occasionally just to find out who the new addvertisers are and make certain I don't give them any of my money.
Cindy	Bryan	45157	As radical as this sounds, we still live in a free country. No one individual or corporation has the right to limit or control the content of information made available. Progressive radio is vitally important. It's the other side. It's the other voice. Supporting and protecting progressive radio supports and protects the democratic process and celebrates freedom of choice.
rennie	beetham	43017	having a variety of opinions voiced and available is a good idea; and after the last election, there seems to be a fair number of moderate to left-leaning people in this area. keep the progressive format.
Robert	Brock	45320	
lelissa	Bair	143205	
inda	O'Donnell	143211	
rent	Eb	3 3	Consider your niche and audience t mere maximumization of fit
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lanhew	Sir	1 1	

Valerie	Stynchula	43123	Please don't change the programing on 1230 wtpg.
Mary Jo	Gyuro	43210	
Joe N.	Smith	43206	
Harlan	Carter	143202	
charles & antionette	kindel	143050	If radio does not offer the public intelligent alternative ponts of view, they will seek it elsewhere such as the internet.
Brian	Spangler	43221	signing this as a favor to a friend...hope it works for you all
Mary Ellen	Tomazic	44111	I listen to Radio Free Ohio, WARF 1350am out of Akron, and I am very glad to have an Air America station to listen to nearby. I also have Sliius satellit radio but I enjoy the Air America programming on WARF. My sister lives in Columbus and was very upset to hear that her Air America station there was changing formats. She loves the programming too, especially Stephanie Miller.
Nancy	Brumback	97267	Dear Friends, I am very disappointed to learn that you are about to lose progressive radio broadcasting in Columbus. And to have it replaced by the likes of Rush Limbaugh and Sean Hannity only adds insult to injury. Unless one is a computer user, which many older people and sight-disabled people are not, progressive radio, especially Schultz, Rhodes, and Franken, is often the only media where one can learn the truth about what is going on in American politics, because the cable and broadcast tv channels stick mostly to the mainstream message of the holders of the status quo. Even if only as a service to the community, the station should keep its present programming. To the audience: don't let this happen! picket the radio station with signs to keep air America! And encourage everyone to patronize the advertisers, especially the local advertisers! It's worked before: it can work again. Good Luck!
Brooks	Friley	43220	I listen to 1230 every day... if you change the format I will take it off my radio setting (just one more potential lost listener).
Tim	Biondo	43228	From a business standpoint, this decision makes no sense. As this petition shows, the progressive radio audience is large, loyal and has the means to support advertisers. WTPG has this local market all to itself. If you can't make a decent profit under these circumstances, you're not really trying!
Jordan	Youker	43201	Please keep Progressive Radio on the air
Nick	Damato	43224	We want to hear Ed Schultz in Columbus, Ohio.
Andrew	DiLiddo	44124	Ohioans deserve the viewpoint represented by Progressive Radio whether or not they agree with it or not. Americans must have access to a diversity of viewpoints and be allowed to make up their own minds.
Jim	Shaffer	43081	We listen to 1230 every day! That will be be a big void to fill, but one thing is certain: if there's no prgressive in Columbus, we'll listen elsewhere. Maybe it's time to go with satellite radio. Why would Clear Channel, apparently a for-profit company, decide to throw out an existing audience base and compete with all of the other fake-Christian, right-winged, and morally challenged talkers out there. Aren't there already enough combative. drug addicted.phone sex guys on the radio.
Elizabeth	Stackel	43214	
Adam	Bailey	01754	
Heather	Siladi	44203	I have been arguing for years that media consolidation will eventually threaten free speech and freedom of the press. Frankly, I hope Clear Channel does try to eliminate progressive radio in Ohio. Then maybe people will be motivated to stop the consolidation of America's media outlets into the hands of a few corporate conglomerates.
Uri	Siladi	44203	
Margie	Hegg	143214	

John	Ursu	41460	Ingraham? Savage? I'd rather have a pitchfork driven into my brain! I would rather hear a Yoko Ono marathon. I would rather dive into a swimming pool filled with double edged razor blades. You actually think people what to continue to hear these old has beens(Who can probably be heard on other stations with more Dower)? Enjoy your trip to ratings oblivion.
Paul	Brockman Jr	43214	
Karen	Proctor	43214	Ohio deserves more than one viewpoint to politics. We proved that in the recent election when we sent Democrats to Washington and to the state Legislature. We need to restore the fair practices doctrine which would force channels like Clear Channel to offer both perspectives. Everyone should write you political leaders and tell them to reinstate this doctrine.
Daniel	Dumond	43085	Columbus and the rest of central ohio desperately need a liberal voice on the radio. There is no reason we should be subject to an endless stream of the vitriolic spew that comes from the popular right wing talk show hosts. I listen to 1230 everyday on my drive to work, while at work, and while on the way home. Hearing Stephanie Miller, Rachel Maddow, and other progressive voices talk about news and politics from my viewpoint has been a beautiful breath of fresh air. Clear Channel's right wing BS needs to stop. I'm tired of Hyman's editorials on channel six, and I'm tired of hearing nothing but right wing blow holes on radio. I'm honestly considering a satellite radio subscription service because of this. SAVE PROGRESSIVE
Kerry	Rudy	43202	Please keep Progressive Radio on the air.
Jennifer	Reiling	60513	I don't live there, but know people who do. Please don't take away the voice of reason! America needs progressive radio!
Aldous	Tyler	53050	
Mindy	Mazur	02186	We need to unite to keep Progressive Radio on throughout the country
Adam	Kuhn	43224	I enjoy 1230 AM, and believe that in taking away the voice of progressive radio, we are homogenizing our own voice as a people, one small step at a time. I abhor the notion that a less progressive format could take the place of an all ready under represented form of free speech. Do not change the format of this radio station!!!
Rob	Laird	02895	Liberal radio ROCKS!
Susan	Gaynor	43004	This makes me sick. We need Progressive Radio in Columbus!
Alexander	Fisher	43119	Back in 1978 (?), Great Trails Broadcasting changed the number 1 station in Columbus (WCOL-FM) from hard rock to pop, because they thought the old format was too scandalous. I guess they thought my money was not green enough. The station never reached above eighth after that. (Number 1 to Number 8, that's progress?) Almost twenty years later, Clear Channel flipped the old WCOL-AM to progressive talk because the format (I believe it was right wing talk) was bombing. Now they mysteriously want to change it back to right wing talk just after an election that showed them that people were listening to progressive talk. Conspiracy, you betcha! It ain't about liberal views as much as it is about protecting the FCC from being run by people with the public's best interest in mind. I guess my money is still not green enough for WCOL (WTPG).
sandra	green	48089	Give truth a chance!!
Ron	Filippelli	43202	In Philosophy, the march of reason through time has always been described as a progressive phenomenon. I suppose the regressive, or conservative, re-statement of that would highlight the retreat of reason through time. Who in their well-reasoning mind would be for that? Keep Air America on the radio in Ohio!
Martha	Nieset	43201	
Trudy	O'Hare	94952	
Nancy	Stephani	45840	Please save progressive radio -there are lots of us out here who listen.

Steven	LeMoine	98045	If you are having trouble selling advertizing for a highly rated format on your radio station, the problem is with the management of the advertizing department and NOT with the format. If you want to sell your product, you must employ people who believe in it and are passionate about what they are selling. You wouldn't hire someone to sell Ford cars who has always driven Chew's would you? Well, if you're a good manager vou wouldn't.
Keya	Myers-Alkire	43143	Of course, I will no longer be listening to 1230am. Satellite radio, here I
Tammy	Smith	80228	Progressive talk radio is important everywhere, Ohio is no exception. With the great importance of Ohio in all recent elections, I feel that progressive talk is needed now more than ever in that arena.
Elizabeth	Wicks	43081	If I could reach other progressive Ohio stations from Columbus, I would and the hell with 1230. We need a new station. Does Clear Channel own everything? I thought we just won the elections in Ohio. It seems we can't win.
Carolee	Luberto	143081	I listen to 1230 AM every day. I will NOT LISTEN OR BUY FROM ANYONE WHO ADVERTISES if it's changed to just another shouting conservative station.
Jonathan	Smith	47111	
jeanine	vonville	43081	Please do not change the format of 1230 WTPG. Americans need access to a wide range of viewpoints allowing them to search for the facts and make up their own minds. We need progressive radio on the air. Thank
ason	Roberts	44116	
rick	schoch	143229	If 1230 wcol columbus ohio changes to right wing radio I will not listen to the station anymore
Vincent	Skinner	20774	Give progressives a voice!
Julie	Houston	43015	We deserve to have progressive talk in Columbus, OH. The number of callers from this area that you hear when you listen to Ed Schultz is proof that people listen. I miss Al Franken and Ed Schultz every day. My life in the future without my favorite shows. You are forcing the marketplace to go to satellite radio to get variety. That can't be good for Clear Channel's ad sales. Please give people something to talk about. We want Progrssive
Jesse	Lewis	59801	
Gloria	Porfilio	44405	Progressive radio keeps us abreast with what is going on in the country and especially congress. You are failing the American people if you change this format. All we have left in Ohio is the Akron station as far as I know, and we now have a democratic governor, so what is your problem?????
Mike	Burri	43215	I do not listen to right wing radio. I have no interest in it. I enjoy progressive radio talk programs. I am in the majority in this county and state.
John	McIntyre	43212	We need progressive talk radio. We already have enough liars on air. (i.e. Limbaugh and Hannity). At least progressives will discuss BOTH sides of an issue. You can't be serious about Michael Savage & Laura Ingraham. More white trash!
Peter	Jones	45440	Funny, conservatives were the ones always pushing for the Free Market, and when the market turns liberal away from their hateful brand of politics, they dump the market and try to make money from a manipulated, unfree market. Who do we boycott now because of this? Tell us and we will work against their markets.
Katherine	Andres	43212	

Laura	Klein	43017	
Susan	Haas	43081	I was pleasantly surprised to discover AM 1230 when I moved to Columbus, Ohio from the east coast and have listened faithfully to progressive talk and Air America for the two years that I have been here. I also subscribe to satellite radio and thoroughly enjoy the many channels and freedom of expression that it allows. My radios are side by side, but now I'll have to turn one off and put it away. Columbus needs and deserves the progressive format! We DO NOT all think alike!!
Kathleen	Fowler	43230	Please keep 1230AM progressive. We need a VARIETY of opinions from which to choose. The other opinion is already >WELL< covered in central Ohio.
Amanda	Bauer	43215	I enjoy Air America; it's the only talk radio that I listen to. When the radio station changes formats, I will quit listening to 1230AM.
Rosemarie	Widmer	43224	Please keep 1230 on the air. We want progressive radio here in Columbus, OH.
Michelle	Batt	43081	Please keep this radio station the way it is. Why do we have to have all radio sound the same so the masses can be brainwashed with bad djs and crappy music. Keep educating with the station the way it is.
Todd	Kenzie	43081	I was happy to discover progressive 1230 AM only a few months ago and enjoyed listening to people like Stephanie Miller. I am disappointed by your decision to change the format into sports/right-wing radio, eliminating that viewpoint from the airwaves in Columbus and will have no interest in listening to 1230 once that change occurs.
Amy	Hamilton	43026	I am very disapointed to hear that you feel the need to take away progressive radio!! Did the Novemeber election not show you that the people are tired of this republican NONSENSE!!!
Michael	Dalton	45218	No more progressive radio means NO MORE CLEAR CHANNEL for me and my family ! Plan to avoid the advertisers as well.
Robert	Hamilton	43078	Progressive radio should not be removed from the airways in Columbus. My wife listens to Stephanie Miller everyday.
Jimmy	Whittenburg	97212	I can't get the full news and opinion from the conservative stations such as KXL here in Portland. They taint everything in hate and anger towards anyone they disagree with. I am embarrassed to listen to these hate tilled
mary	macvicar	43221	We are steady listeners to progressive radio. It is unbelievable that the only station in the Columbus area, with the huge audiance of Ohio State University and the increasing number of progressives in central Ohio, would
Arlette	Pearson	56737	Clear Channel is making a big mistake by trying to force their way of thinking on the general public. They are becoming a dictator on who is going to be heard.
Julie	Nelson	97035	Please do not replace Air America in Ohio. This is simply against our contitutional right to freedom of speech and freedom of the press.
Linda	Seaman	53225	
Helmut	Kogler	97224	Don't replace Air America; keep it the way it is.
Michael	Campbell	43207	
Holly	Stenger	43110	
Sean	McLaughlin	43209	
john	swanson	43209	
Eric	Butter	43209	You are making a mistake!
Christine	Aquilino	02474	I love AIR AMERICA! It keeps me sane. Without it I would need antidepressants!

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Jeff	Winbush	43205	Columbus does not need any more right-wing radio polluting the airwaves. At the very least Stephanie Miller and Ed Schultz deserve to keep their shows as they are funny, interesting and thought-provoking. Bruce Collins has to know that the supporters of progressive talk radio will not listen to more far-right radio nor patronize the advertisers. Last year progressives and liberals sent a undeniable message to the nation that our viewpoints ARE the popular and prevailing sentiment. Don't let Clear Channel take away our voices without a fight!
John	Arthos	43203	Air America at 1230 am in Columbus means everything to me. I listen five
Margaret	Jones	143270	
Solye	Brown	97219	
Helen	Asbury	45227	Promote DIALOG in Ohio. There is already too much one-sided ultra-conservative radio.
Victoria	Boczkowski	43213	Please, AM 1230 gives my husband some release. If you take WTPG off the air, he'll end up lecturing to me constantly about the ills of society and such.
Amanda	Ward	43130	
Michelle	Fitzpatrick	43082	
Sharon	Baseman	48070	
Jeremy	Spears	43206	Keep 1230 am progressive!!!!!!!!!!!! Please. My love to you all.
Aleta	Payne	43299	What the??? We've had enough of the right wing loonatics hogging the airwaves! I want my MAMA! Have you lost your minds????
Kim	Everhart	43147	
Doug	Vee	53154	There are enough right-wing loonie conservanazi republikans on AM-hate radio. There is nothing that they don't whine about. Stephanie Miller, Ed Schultz. Norman Goldman. Good progressive programs. At least they bring humor and thought provoking programs to AM airwaves. Enough already with the conservanazi republikan propaganda babble crap by Druggie limblough and Bill O'Leary. Buck Fush!!!
Brent	Corwin	43040	I listen to 1230 am everyday while at work. The Stephanie Miller Show is the most entertaining radio program that I've ever heard. I don't know how I'll make it thru my work day without her, Jim and Chris. If she's on satellite radio, I guess I'll take a satellite radio boombox to work with me to listen to. What a pain in the ass! Thanks alot Clear Channel. Consider yourself officially boycotted.
William	Kaiser	43130	I am a registered republican who is active in local politics, my community and my church. That said I also enjoy listening to wtpg for the simple reason that it presents a different perspective from 700, 610, and npr. I question the need for another conservative talk station, especially one featuring someone as truly vile as Michael Savage. When the format changes next week I will erase 1230 from my pre-sets. Nuf said.
Rita	Smith	197267	Please continue with your interesting alternative to the daily news !!
Keith	Harler	43062	
betty	wagner	44130	
thor	larsen	43202	1230 progressive radio is the only am station I have listened to in 15 yrs. I urge you to keep this station's progressive format.
Leif	Hansen	53528	
Joseph	Decker	43204	I fail to see what rationale you have for removing Stephanie Miller, one of the top shows in the Columbus market. As a regular listener, I have also patronized advertisers from Rosatti Windows to Benevolence Cafe and thanked them. Your format switch will lead to a pale imitation of 610, while ignoring many listeners (and their wallets) in Franklin County.
Debra	Conkel	43065	I have contacted 1230 several times, emailed letters to the editor...is there anything more we can do to save Air America/Progressive Talk on 1230 AM??? Please let me know!!!

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ue	Mullins	43085	Does anyone out there think that dropping the Air America format will improve the ratings of 1230? Actually, I have other options and will continue listening to Stephanie, Al, Randi, et al, via my XM radio or online via iTunes. I won't listen to 1230 after January 8 and I won't miss avoiding listening to the Cincinnati Reds either.
rian	Batting	91917	
melia	Clark	43231	
assandra	Elizabeth	78731	We need more progressive radio all over the country, not just in some
ffany	Hanna	43214	places.
elen	Bremmer	63357	
lary	Neno	43230	
arol	Canode	43206	I have been a faithful listener to WTPG 1230 since it started it's progressive radio format. Right wing radio is already represented in this town by 610 WTVN. Progressive talk should have a place in this town as well.
erstin	Lanham	91906	Keep the radio gene pool healthy! Right-wing radio stations are like intermarried cousins now. Not good for children!
patti	davis	98606	
nda	Dennis	143085	
orman	White	43211	Very simple. If the majority continues to be short-shriehed on the public airwaves and only gets HATE talk: BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT.... BOYCOTT of Clear Channel advertisers. Talk radio should reflect the community at large. We are tired of of topics that just divide ordinary people. A resounding no to topics that serve the billionaires. Keep 1230 Progressive Talk or once again experience a big, fat organized BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT, BOYCOTT. The right wing-nuts use BOYCOTTS all the time. In honor of Stephanie Miller and Twisted Sister. "We're not gonna take it anymore."
hristopher	Baughman	78244	Although I no longer listen to AA because of "technical difficulties" they had here in San Antonio I must say that it is great for those who don't have time to surf the web for a few hours every week. Myself I use many webpages to insure that they validate each other and verify the story is true however AA insures those who be they at work, home, or in their very car have the ability to know what is going on and what fellow likeminded people are doing about it. Without AA or a similiar radio program like Democracy Now! to cover such issues I fear most if not a good majority of the people throughout the country will fall into a pit of ignorance only to despair from feeling that they are alone against the Hydra.
atricia	Williams	97302	
ancy	Cloyd	123921	Progressive Radio is necessary to assure freedom of speech. We require the air waves to keep open this format to protect and preserve a true democracy. There are many advertisers who would prefer to advertise to keep freedom of speech alive in this progressive radio format.
ennie	Sawade	98296	Please keep progressive radio alive.
con	Nash	43229	America has spoken. Progressive radio is both marketable and important.
abak	Alidoosti	22310	
at	Garibian	97035	Americans just voted progressive! Only THIEVES or the RADICAL RIGHT would shut down progressive radio. We are watching your actions. We are watching the advertisers who are backing the RADICAL RIGHT. In the real world, your greed would keep you with the majority -- progressives. Wake up! Progressive Americans in the Proud State of Oregon

donald	hnatowich	02446	Since Air America left the air, I have been searching the AM dial for an alternative and I am simply shocked at the right-wing trash that is on the air! I listened to the advertisers on Air America and tried to support them when I could (I bought an expensive vacuum cleaner from one of them) because they were supporting the station. I ask you to please reconsider your decision and bring us back our ASir America Thanks Don Hnatowich
David	Randall	43215	
Varina	Furguson	45036	All voices should be heard. This is America.
Dion	Furguson	45036	
Kristin	Cherry	43205	
Dave	Klibanow	27705	In a democratic society where open debate & discussion is vital & necessary, it is imperative to have a thoughtful alternative to the right wing pundits on the radio. Especially in Ohio which has been beset by numerous republican scandals from governor Taft & Bob Noe on down, you need to have critical thinkers who will question & challenge those who abuse their positions of power.
Miriam	Berman	60647	
Bill	Miller	43201	
Janice	Young	91350	
Kelly	Fitzgerald	78043	Progressives are the majority! Get over it!
Phil	Eastep	43105	I'm dismayed by this change. I'll continue to download Ed Schultz and Steph Miller and will not be visiting 1230 any longer. The ratings have been on the rise and I've been a listener to 1230 since it's progressive move.
Tiffany	Goodchild	43068	Take back the Airwaves!! WE support progressive talk NOT racist, homophobic dribble from so-called "moral" Christians who do more harm than good. We supported the advertisers on this radio station. We WILL NOT support Clear Channel. You suck.....
Mark	Gibson	43085	There is no other progressive voice. I flip occasionally to 610 WTVN and inevitably hear either trivial blather or hate-inspired rantings. Hardly an inspiration for a better nation. I found an ally with 1230 and my dial rarely leaves the station. Although equipped with XM for an Air America alternative, Stephanie Miller is my favorite show by far and is not on XM. There is a deluge of sports, right-wing and all-you-can-hear music. It is imperative that we have a voice that speaks to the improvement of our nation and our people. The choices are so few for intelligent, thought-provoking radio versus propaganda feeds. I'm disappointed and surprised to hear this is not a winning proposition for Clear Channel, since we regularly talk about the 1230 topics and shows at work and the station
Markus	Dubrowski	02131	They just did this in my state... one of the Bluest States in the Country!!! And guess what? We ONLY have right wing GARBAGE. Gee.... how did that happen Clear Channel?????!!!!!!
A.	Douglas	02908	Stop silencing Progressive Radio, we will fight back.
linda	Jakes	43201	this stronghold of power has to shift. we should not have to sign a petition to assure balance.
Dorina	Hippauf	18612	
Ellen	Smith	43206	
B.A.	LeRoy	72628	I listen to progressive radio via the Internet, and am saddened to think that those lucky folks in Ohio are losing their progressive station. I've read that Stephanie Miller beats the competition in many markets; why do you want to get rid of a format that is popular?
Sunny	Baker	43119	I had given up on listening to the radio until I found this station, this is the only station I have on in my car, at my desk and at home. I told my mother about it, my friends and my family. It has been a real "life line", please don't do away with it. Thank you.

illi	win	43081	A couple nights ago I was in my car and started scanning local radio stations. I came across 5 stations, at that time, that were broadcasting right-wing conservative talk shows....and, guess what? Only ONE progressive one. WTPG. I currently listen to WTPG all day at work and my car radio is tuned to it. If you change the format I will not listen to you again. We are currently inundated with conservative talk shows, most of which spew hatred towards many minority segments of our society, especially the gay community. One of the proposed hosts, in the new format, is Michael Savage who especially spews venomous rhetoric. Isn't he the one who, while hosting his short-lived MSNBC show, called a gay caller a "Faggot" and told him to "Get AIDS and die"? Remember, Central Ohio has a very large gay population who are very "active" consumers. I would think potential sponsors would think twice before endorsing this kind of programming, especially once they know of it's content. Do you REALLY
ruck	uster	43220	Shameful, but I think this has been Clear Channel's intention all along--start progressive radio stations, then take them down as examples of the "failure" of the format, thereby promoting their real interests--conservative hate speech radio, their real bread and butter nationwide. I haven't even touched my radio dial since WTPG came up, but those days will end on January 9th. Sorry to see them go, and I hope others will step up to the plate to save the format in Columbus.
ara	orsey	43068	I found this Progressive Talk station just over 1 yr ago, and finally found talk shows that reflected views never heard on the radio but that I could strongly relate to. Since then my radio has been tuned in an average of 10 hours every single day. When I miss a day, I go This can not happen; the support that these hosts are given and give can not be ignored, and will not go down with out a fight from us loyal listeners.
inice	/eiss	45215	I can't think of any source more important that progressive radio for cutting through the spin that has led us into an unwinnable war and a deficit our children will never be able to dig themselves out of. If all that pollutes our airwaves are Limbaugh, Savage and Cunningham, Ohio is doomed to repeat the mistakes of its past -- afterall, we did elect Bush a second time based on the ignorance of our neighbors! I am an avid, avid listener to radio -- almost all day long -- though now I'm at a loss, relying only on NPR for my news. When Air America operated, I went to Andy's Medettranean Grill only because Jerry Springer told me to. My friends and I would absolutely support any business that were to invest in this critical voice for the future. I believe that the Air America station in Cincinnati was never aggressively marketed to its full potential-- I can't ever remember representatives coming to a Democratic meeting and urging people to listen, buy time, spread the word, and support the advertisers. Air America and even Ed Schultz may not appeal to everyone, but it unquestionably serve a vital role in this city dominated by conservative media . . . in this region that is at least 50% democratic/independent (all angry and ready to vote with their dollars!). To ignore this demand, hiding behind low ratings due to your ineffective marketing, is just bad business. This is no hyperbole -- with the importance Ohio plays in national elections, we urge you to reconsider your decision for the sake of this nation and for all it stands
iristopher	hnson	33138	
rin	emminger	3205	I enjoy listening to a variety of radio stations including progressive talk. We already have a conservative talk station in Columbus so I don't see the point in having another at the expense of progressive talk. thanks.
m	arlson	3206	1230am is the radio station I listen to most.
im	ill	3026	Times are changing. People are tired of the same old BULL that the right wing has vomitted out of thier mouths for years! Keep progressive radio or people will find alternative ways to gather information and create opinions. As we see with the government, people are eager for a change.

manuel	de los rios	60608	
olette	Yates	1054	We have so many conservative talk stations out there; we do not need another one. If anything, we should be discussing the possibility of cancelling a conservative line-up to replace with a progressive one. Since when in this country did debate, freedom of speech, and diversity of ideas become <i>so</i> taboo? After all, it is this lack of criticism that has enabled the country to get in the widely recoanized catastroohe we call Iraa.
		43202	
		43016	We already have the likes of Rush "Oxycotin" Limbaugh represented on 610 AM. Why not offer a variety of viewpoints? Progressive talk radio will persist, and it would be better if Clearchannel was part of this than being seen as standing in it's way. Keep in mind, the airwaves belong to the people and are only licensed to companies for a fixed time. If the majority of the people want a variety of viewpoints, and the companies will not provide them, the people may decide another company would make better use of these airwaves. Once we get campaign financed fixed, your company will no longer be able to shop in Congress for legislation or reduction of regulations any longer. The world always tilts towards justice. Get on the correct side of discussion and provide the service for which you were
Hope	Felton-Miller	45229	
Maryann	Kafer	43201	This evening I will be sending messages to all the identified advertisers of the current format to thank them for their support and let them know I will not patronize advertisers if/when the format changes.
Linda	Hobson	43202	I listened to Progressive Talk on 1230 every day and I was very disappointed to hear the news...all my friends and family listened to progressive talk and it was the best radio station in Columbus.
aren	sullivan	43212	Advertisers of the proposed new 1230 AM beware: I will Boycott you! Give a voice to the Majority of us.
roy	Seman	43201	Once again, Clear Channel fails to use our airways in the public's interest by failing to represent all views equally. Where is the FCC in all of this? Where have they been each and every step of what has become this misuse of our airwaves? Is this purely an economic decision or are progressives being punished for a perception of effectiveness last November? This, of course, is a rhetorical question for I believe it to be the honest truth even if the people pulling the switch want to believe otherwise. For this reason, I believe the owners are already decided. Therefore, I'm writing to the people signing this petition. I can't believe we need another band wagon station on a format of hate thy neighbor, fear more, fear more often. Honestly Clear Channel. Create a reality you can be proud of.
leal	elair	43201	All the intelligent, upwardly mobile consumers I know listen to am1230 because of Stephanie Miller, Al Franken, Ed Schultz, Randi Rhodes, Rachel Maddow and all the other intelligent, progressive voices there. Before am1230 went progressive by jumping on the Air America band wagon, we had all stopped listening to talk radio completely. 1230 has managed to corner the am talk market in Columbus but doesn't seem to know it, yet. Where I work, no one comes in each morning talking about conservative ideas or talk shows: they come in talking about what Stephanie Miller or one of the other progressive voices on am1230 has said. WTPG am1230 is extremely hot in Columbus. WTPG should be boosting it's progressive talk show signal to better serve the Columbus suburbs while they are still the only progressive game in town. They should not be changing their format to offer some conservative blow-hard. We've heard enough of that for a life time: now we want progressive talk, just as is it now on WTPG, the best station this city has had, and the first to reflect
iteve	Rosen	98682	
lachelle	Rice	43162	
Villiam	Schubert	43015	Please reconsider this decision.

Paul	Talboo	4067	Do not kill the Progressive Voice of Columbus.
Patricia A	Anderson	3230	I have been listening to 1230 am since it began its progressive format. I think that it had a big impact on the last election because it was able to refute the republican talking points as soon as they were floated. I think that is the real reason why Clear Channel is changing the format. I will continue to listen online when possible. Columbus has enough right wing talk radio.
Richard	Trotto	3711	It's time for radio stations to give listeners what they want, not what the politically connected owners tell them to. If not, people need to write and call their legislatures and tell them to bring back regulations that keep companies from owning multiple stations in the Same market, and limiting how many stations a company can own overall.
Jeanne	Williams	3205	I had not listened to talk radio at all until I discovered the progressive channel of 1230. This station addresses issues that are relevant to me as an American who is concerned about the direction this country has taken. It's my understanding that ratings are not an issue and that the station is extremely popular in Columbus. I urge you to reconsider your decision.
Sam	Marcellino	3232	Michael Savage? Laura Ingraham? 1460 The Fan, here I come!
David	Barnes	3214	Maybe broadcast radio (especially AM) is going the way of the ice caps. I had not listen to it for years until 1230 began its progressive format. How refreshing, I thought and tuned in every day. I will not be listening as of January 9th, but will be searching the web for progressive internet talk radi there.
Melinda	Dorothy	3231	So much has already been taken away from Americans, and one of the fev pleasures that I have in life is listening to air america progressive talk even day during my lunch hour or on the way too and home from work. It has educated me and made me laugh and enlightened me so much in ways very surprising to me, that I'm pratically addicted and this is coming from someone that used to HATE politics and wanted NOTHING to do with it!! Please please please DON'T take it away from me and so many others. It depresses me areatly to the point of tears that this too is aoina to be
Amy	Cherrie	1601	PLEASE do not let thr radio shows of Stephanie Miller, Al Franken, Ed Schultz, Randi Rhodes, Rachel Maddow and other progressive talkers be taken off the air. Ohio and every state in America needs an alternative to the gibberish on other talk shows. I look forward everyday to these shows. If you switch programming, you will lose many listeners. Ifor one, will be forced to listen to progressive talk online. Your advertisers, whom I do use now and then, will lose customers, and America will be a poorer place. Differing opinions and freedom of speech are what make this country great. Let's keep it that wav. Thank you.
Cheryl	Brooks	3231	Please take Air America from COLUMBUS, OHIO!! We are a progressive city, and we support our radio!!
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Tilly	Brooks	3231	I'm an avid listener of Air America Radio!! PLEASE don't take this from Columbus Ohio!!! This year it shows through the votes alone that we are a progressive city!! If you take it off I'm not listening to 1230 anymore and will go online from here on out!!
Brian	Thomas	3224	I love Stephanie Miller and Al Franken and listen to them daily. I know there's a strong market for this programming in Columbus. Please don't take them off the air.
Tim	Nakamura	3224	I support progressive radio in Columbus, as do most of my friends and colleagues. I definitely will not listen to the new programming.

Kristen	Heimdal	43214	Considering the popularity of The Young Turks, Stephanie Miller, Rachel Maddow, etc., and that the Columbus market is already saturated with conservative radio programs, the decision to change formats is clearly not about attracting new listeners or offering something new. This is further evidence that the term "liberal media" is a myth. I listen to 1230 for 5-6 hours every weekday, but if it changes format, that's it--I'll never listen to that station again.
cindy	Waxman	45215	Please return progressive talk show hosts to Cincinnati and Columbus. You know there is an audience for common sense radio but choose to ignore it. What are your real motives?
Betty	Thomas	43224	I support progressive talk radio in Columbus and would hate to see it taken away and replaced with the likes of Laura Ingraham. I won't be listening in the future if that happens.
Arthur	Silva	43214	I find it very strange that the radio business would ignore data concerning the demographics and tastes of a station's listening area and change it's programming format to one at odds with that area since that would appear to be an unsound business decision. Unless ideology trumps supply and demand. I have been a listener to 1230am since it adopted the progressive talk format and if they abandon that format I will cease to listen to that station.
Jessica	Stensrud	02860	There is a HUGE disparity between conservative radio and progressive in that now a lot of progressive radio across the nation is going bankrupt and folding completely! This leaves us at the mercy of the likes of Savage, Hannity, Limbaugh, etc. We are going crazy losing our stations to boosted signals of Spanish speaking Salsa music, for God's sake!!!! Help us! WE NEED PROGRESSIVE RADIO (and TV)
Tina	Kassebaum	43082	Please keep Air America on this station
BOB	WICKLINE	98333	"RIGHT WING RHETORICAL POLLUTION IS SO THICK AND DARK AND DENSE!! IT CONTAMINATES AND POISONS COMMON GOOD & COMMON SENSE!! from the song, "RIGHT WING RHETORICAL POLLUTION" by WICKLINE
Anonymous	NULL	43505	NULL
Barbara	Vance	43130	I am very upset that you are going to change your format effective January 9th. We need more progressive radio in Ohio--not less!
Karen	Bell	43201	The people of Ohio voted recently. Didn't you get our message? It was
Al	Kayda	40440	Please keep the propaganda ummmmm errrr liberal talk going. We need all of the help we can get! Allah Akbar!!!
jeff	wagner	44130	keep progressive radio alive in c. ohio. there are enough conservative voices on the air already!
Kathy	Wijesinghe	43021	It is so sad to see radio dominated by propaganda from the (POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS) right. When we drive through Ohio we can find Rush Limbaugh on four or five radio stations at one time ---there needs to be a voice from the other side too.
Anonymous	NULL	148484	NULL
Anonymous	NULL	117222	NULL

ally	layer	2135	<p>A Bostonian's condolences to my fellow and sister deprived liberal radio fans in Columbus, OH. We now know after delving into the cause of this debacle on-line what brought down public radio in Boston: our outgoing Governor Mitt Romney and his takeover thugs at (his own founded) Bain Capital, a private investment corporation which bought out the Texas-based Clear Channel Communications Parent Company on November 16, 2006. Google for: "Mitt Romney" and "Clear Channel Communications, Inc." to collect the damning evidence for your own corroborative web research. The evidence is very compelling and damning. If you go to the Bain website and review the senior managers there and look up their backgrounds, they all have strong connections to the GOP (many are major donors) and to BushCo. This was not just one in a number of arbitrary and anonymous corporate buyouts for profit, this is part of a concerted rightie effort to grab control of web providers, radio stations, and any other media outlets of a liberal slant that contributed to patriotic American voters of all political persuasions being informed, getting out to vote, and putting many state and federal corrupt neocon GOP politicians out of office after the mid-term elections of November 7, 2006. Immediately afterwards, the righties (no doubt egged on by Karl Rove and his evil henchmen under the watchful eye of BushCo) began an hysterical flurry of leveraged buyouts of any liberal media outlets they could get their hands on, particularly in liberal blue states. In Boston, the raiders are attempting to get their claws on our newspapers and local ISPs. Refuse and resist! Strike back at these corporate thugs through the new power we have as of today via our recent state and federal elections. Write your federal reps and senators, your state reps and senators, the IRS, the Department of the Treasury, the FTC, and the FCC. If you or anyone else owns stock in Clear Channel Communications, sell it NOW! Give them a huge stock market price meltdown today they will never forget! If anyone invests with any of the guilty corporate raiders involved (Bain Capital, Thomas Lee Partners, Brookside Capital, Sankay Advisors, etc.), close out your accounts and dump them today! Boycott any company that advertises with Clear Channel Communications; hit them in the pocketbook where it hurts! Demand anti-Trust investigations of soon to be presidential candidate Mitt Romney, who in effect would be guilty of self-dealing if investigations show he was involved in the purposeful demise of Air America and other liberal media outlets in Boston and elsewhere for political purposes while he was still in the position of Governor of Massachusetts: a clear violation of the impartial public interest of his position if true! Bombard all media outlets with this until they scream in agony. We patriotic Americans are in the battle of our lives for the preservation of the country of our founding fathers with a free press and a government that is accountable to We the People (not to a unitary executive dictator as BushCo wants it and not to a bunch of soulless corporations who don't pay their fair share of taxes or sacrifice their sons and daughters to war)! Go to it gang, and spread the good word that We the People have taken back OUR government this past November, and we</p>
aren	icott	3081	<p>Please do not change the format of this station. The Columbus area has plenty of conservative programming and desperately needs to keep a balance with quality programming such as the Air America and Jones Radio programs currently aired on this station. We're out here listening and buying the products advertised. Again I ask you to please reconsider and keep us listening...we won't be listening if you put shows like Laura Ingraham and Michael Savage on your station.</p>
raig	lickle	3224	<p>Hello XM radio! If you make this move you'll just be helping to consign dedicated radio listeners like me to podcasts and satellite radio permanently. Thanks for the push to more enlightened pastures.</p>

Valerie	Hanon	43201	I certainly won't continue to listen to this station, I will move to internet and satellite radio and that is unfortunate but even on the drive home there are ways to get the programming I want with satellite radio. I would rather support a local station.
Jason	Chalk	43119	Save the radio station! I listen every day!
Anonymous	NULL	22091	NULL
Paul	Montesanti	43212	
Rachel	Carr	29470	We lost our liberal station in Charleston. I hope you're able to keep yours.
Susan	Belair	43201	Progressive Radio is very popular in Columbus. Almost everyone I know listens-literally! Please don't yank a popular station... it reflects badly on Clear Channel, if nothing else.
Amanda	Fox	43228	Keep Progressive Talk! If the channel changes to Talk 1230 I will not
mary	dosan	55439	listen!!!!
Daniel	Wisneski	43017	We do not want conservative radio. Please keep Air America!!
Anonymous	NULL	60120	NULL
Roxie	Patterson	93534	Please keep progressive talk on the air!
Lynette	Bishop-Anderson	43004	PLEASE KEEP 1230AM MY FAMILY LISTENS TO THIS STATION EVERYDAY AND WE LOVE IT!
Anonymous	NULL	90210	NULL
Anonymous	NULL	21225	NULL
MARY	MARLOWE	97229	ENOUGH OF THE RIGHT WING DRIVE! ITS TIME TO ALLOW NEW VOICES!
Lara	Oliver	43202	Please keep WTPG's liberal format!!! I listen everyday!
Allison	Salazar	43016	Keep Progressive Talk On The Air!
Anonymous	NULL	45750	NULL
Anonymous	NULL	28086	NULL
Patricia	Kostka	02864	Surely, there must be a place for progressive voices to be heard. We vote and we also buy things. It took a while for right wing radio to catch on, please give this format a fighting chance.
Allison	Ankney	143026	
Merv	Johnson	197007	What will America be without a choice?
Jaine	Torres	92009	
JANICE	HETTLINGER	43228	I am a loyal listener to Progressive Talk WTPG 1230 am in Columbus, Ohio, and I make a special effort to patronize 1230 am's advertisers. If the format changes I will not continue to listen to WTPG.
Donna	Adassa	43224	Please keep Progressive Talk in Columbus. I WILL NOT be listening to 1230 if it changes to right wing babel and I will NO longer listen to ANY clear channel station.
Anonymous	NULL	109645	NULL
Anonymous	NULL	133461	NULL
Anonymous	NULL	110027	NULL
Louisa	Scott	44120	Keep OhioMajority Radio as it is !!! We do not need another right wing station !!!
Man	Cass	43068	So you want to create a station that will have less listeners then your progressive format. You guys should be ashamed. I guess disenting voices are not allowed in ohio.
Kay	Gould	43227	Are you kidding me with this? Columbus already has more Right Wing lies on the air than it needs! I guess the Neo-Cons are scared of the truth.
Linda	Miller	97035	Don't eliminate the progressive radio station. We need a balanced coverage of the news and all ideas broadcasted during commentary. Our country was founded on the freedom of speech principles and there is no freedom when only one viewpoint is published and heard.
anonymous	anonymous	43219	Let's not forget what the word PROGRESS means - To advance, to improve, to develop to a higher goal. Keep progressive radio! America is the land of many choices.

Meg	Palmer	02038	I'm a Bostonian who supports you! Please support us!!
Carolyn	Gordon	92119	I was appalled in the last presidential election that there were not enough machines to vote in some Democratic-leaning district. Progressive radio seems to be the only entity alerting voters to situations like this and others.
David	Quintana	92704	Progressive Radio can work. All sides of all topics are necessary for any American to stay informed. It is what is needed for real discussion and debate. But when given that chance, progressive radio can make plenty of money if you give it the time to blossom. Do not take away this avenue of information and business from the public
Arlette	Brown	43004	There is a large audience in central Ohio for progressive talk, and that voice should be heard. The recent election also supports this. This station adds to the diversity of voices in the area, and should be not allowed to die. The station should recognize that progressives have the need for most of the same services and should court those advertising dollars with this view. I am still going to need groceries, banking, car repair, but I will not listen to your station. I can listen to commercials
William	Murray	43103	The progressive talk show hosts are the voice of hope and truth. We have had enough of the lies and doom.
Ethan	Dilocker	53534	
Richard	Monahan	44691	Do we really need more right wing propaganda of the kind that is destroying this country, turning us against each other, shredding our civil liberties, getting us involved in a needless war, and making us fearful of each other?
Keith	Jones	85048	It is vitally important to our democracy to be able to hear all views on all subjects under the political spectrum whether those be considered alternative, Progressive or wacko. No matter what the label, differing views must be heard and discussed if our democracy is going to survive.
Dan	Trevas	43213	General talk lead to lack of general knowledge. Keep progressive radio and give Central Ohioans the chance to hear and discuss serious political issues from both sides of the spectrum.
Burton	Pritikin	60025	
Joy	Varner	44676	
John	Kowalski	44126	I for one am sick of right wing propaganda being shoved down our throats. Stop the Republicans.
John	Bieksza	43232	Shame on Clear Channel! No longer a listener of Clear Channel Stations and will not support advertisers of Clear Channel stations! Keep Progressive Talk in Columbus!!!!
C.H.	Palmer	02038	
Alex	Weston	94509	Odd. There is clearly a Democratic majority in Ohio, as the recent elections indicate, so why would Clear Channel turn down the profit inherent in progressive programming in favour of right-wing bilge? They appear to be not only in the wrong, but stupid to boot.
Alexander	Gangaware	15213	
James	Finn	94103	
Rick	Hamel	79536	
David	Jacobsen	43221	Do right-wing conservatives own the only voice in talk radio? Due to recent changes at 1230 am in Columbus, apparently the answer is a resounding 'yes'. As a loyal listener, it is an absolute slap in the face to replace my favorite station with the li of Michael . While I believe that y deserves a i , I question why it is that h only voices to be heard . s are conservative, p when this format already s here. It was certainly refreshing for me and many other listeners to have, for a brief time, a different perspective to listen to. Clear Channel will probably insist that this was purely a business decision, but I doubt that 1230 was even given a chance to grow, and I certainly won't support the new station or its advertisers.

andace	cChesney	43221	Since I found this station by word of mouth, I have listened to nothing else, I promised my kids to go back to listening to music after the election in 2004 then something strange happened they asked to go back to 1230, 12 and 15 year old kids who didn't want to hear rock? They also started watching C-Span and CNN they still watch sponge bob and the family guy much to my displeasure but they are feeling like they have a stake in this country even though they can't vote yet. My son was outraged when "A" students at his high school didn't know who Fidel Castro was and I have never had a conversation about Castro at all with him. I don't agree with everything that my kids think is going on in the world but at least they have learned to be informed by many sources, listening to this station has made an impact, there are so many right wing and christian stations on the market, so many silly and stupid programs with talk and music about unimportant things. This radio station doesn't broadcast 100% of my views it allows for discussion of what is happening and that is such a value to me that when the games are being broadcasted (I am not a sports fan) we don't change the channel and I am learning to appreciate the games, even though I never did before, loyalty to the rest of the broadcast is showing me I can be more open minded in other ways please don't change the format, I will subscribe to XM if I have to, but you are one of a kind right now and a lot of people listen. It is all word of mouth though, I never would have listened to AM if someone didn't tell me about it, and I never could stand talk radio but now I am hooked. I love Thom Haltmanns show the most, followed by Stephanie Miller, one son likes Ed Schultz and the other Sam Ceader. My husband listens to your station untill he is out of range than his only choice is Russ Linbaugh who he listens to only to get the alternative opinion but it leaves a bad taste in your mouth and on the way home it is like a treat when your signal returns. Please don't change the format, there is already to much of Hello? I believe there was a recent Democratic wave in OH? Yes? Why would you turn off progressive voices?
Barbara	Draa	15237	
Matt	Branfield	43140	We cannot allow the right-wing eliminate balance and freedom of speech in this country!
Seth	Hammond	43201	
John	Vince	43302	WE MUST END THE NEOCON PROPOGANDA!!
Sandy	Maggied	43205	I listen ALL THE TIME to progressive talk radio- in the car and at home. Whereas I used to only listen to music, now I'm addicted to liberal talk. I just don't know what I will do if it is taken off the air. What a horrible thought. I would be absolutely crushed... Like losing a family of like minds.
Jessica	Hoy	43130	
Manny	Holl	12601	
Sara	H.	43232	Progressive radio is an absolute necessity in Ohio! We already have a conservative station on AM610...there needs to be balance for those of us who want ROTH sides of the story!
Janice	Beckman	0133	Please keep Air America in Ohio. Janice Beckman
Stephen	Streng	80534	
Kathy	Bloch	43017	
James	Bloch	43017	
Dale	Carter	43082	
Jonathan	Short	43229	One can only make an informed decision when they have the opportunity to hear all sides. With the proposed changes, the public will only have the opportunity to hear the same side presented on different stations.
Mary	Cox	43103	We need this radio station to continue it's pgressive format. It's the only way we hear the real truth about everything happening in this country & around the world.
Andrew	Chiodo	43207	It is necessary to have radio stations provide reporting/access to all points of view that exist within their broadcast area. In fact, that is one of the criteria for being granted a license.

Irene	Meyer	43202	A very dumb decision which I predict will backfire.
Allie	Moran	43235	Finally, the voices of reason available to central ohio listeners and now you're going to replace them with more freakin' conservative talking heads??? Isn't the Wolf family rag "The Columbus Disgrace" enough torture? If WTPG goes, be prepared for the backlash against ALL clear
Leona	Bolzenius	43221	I listen to Progressive talk radio every day and support the advertisers. I will not listen if you change the format to another right wing programming effort.
Anonymous	NULL	23693	NULL
Mary	Prenoveau	43082	
Dana	Wegley	43081	
Beth	Park	94114	
Mark	Aukeman	43205	Companies that advertise on progressive radio are making a statement that is consistent with the views c their listeners. That gnifies the effect. Why advertisers or the station would give that up is me. me numbers.
Perry	Slone	43201	I truly enjoy listening to AM1230 and I am dismayed that Clear Channel wants to dump the format and replace it with even more bigoted and right-wing people. Isn't Druggie Limbaugh and the other right-wingers that air on 610WTVN (WTPG's sister station) enough for Columbus? If this horrible format change occurs, the balanced views will be lost and I will NOT listen to AM1230 anymore. I love listening to Stephie Miller and and Big Eddie Schultz. Please keep Progressive Talk AM 1230.
Susan	Jacoby	44708	
Peter	Fl		S th people, i th ti i tne li s of the right in agenda!!!!
Li	Bleier		I heard: your i on Stephanie Miller's show and, even though I am not in your state, I wanted to lend my support. If progressive radio can end in Ohio, what chance do we have in Texas! Progressives have dollars to spend and advertisers want our attention (as I type, I am taking my Ester-c while laying in my Sleep Number bed)! Save progressive radio!
alice	kieffer	13031	I used to listen to you from 7-10 pm on WSYR I think 570 AM Syracuse,NY -when I called to inquire where you had gone..no real answer. You have been missing for quite some time now. And now there are only "wingers" coming out of that station. Ijust tonite found you on the internet.I think WSYR is a Clear Channel station.
Glenn	Beachy	43202	Are there any frequencies available in Central Ohio? Perhaps it would not be expensive to put up a transmitter to carry Air America and Jones signal: Religious groups do this all the time. They have no local station, just a repeater that carries programming from a central location. Unfortunately they also push small local stations out and that is a loss to the airwaves,
Jeffrey	Slane	43016	
Chuck	Templeton	43221	Please keep AM1230 in Ohio. It's truely the voice of reason for us progressive thinkers. The other side already has too many talking heads .. we need our voices to be heard.
Nancy	Puleo	43065	Ilisten to progressive talk radio, which means Ialso hear the advertisements. I represent over half of Ohio's buying population. That's tl pragmatic argument. More importantly, our free society requires that all citizens have access to all points of view in order to make informed decisions and to feel part of the political process. The "Talk Show" format should not be a reflection only of the conservative or reactionary point of view. We need more such forums. not fewer.
Harry	Templeton	43221	Progressive radio is too important in Ohio to be taken off the air. The publi deserves to have access to this important provider of balanced informatio Let the deserving public stay tuned in to this station. It's very important.
Erik	Mowery	43212	We need progressive talk radio. I am sick and tired of the right wingers.

Marybeth	Jackson	3081	Please leave the station as is. We need Progressive Talk in Columbus! I will no longer listen to 1230 if the format changes, nor will any of my friends and relatives. The country has spoken in the recent election. Why aren't you listening?
E. Sharon	Johnson Libert	43223 43229	
			I oppose the radical change in format of 1230 AM from progressive to reactionary talk radio. The shows I have heard mentioned as staples of the new format (Michael Savage, Laura Ingraham) are manned by obnoxious dishonest apologists for right wing politicians, something we already have too much of on the radio and television. This change destroys the only semblance of a voice for the majority of Central Ohioans who showed in the last election that we want honest, responsible governance for a CHANGE.
Barbara	Kennedy	43162	Clear Channel must be under political pressure to change the successful format of WTPG to another been there, done that, format. As an executive at our company, If they drop the progressive talk format I will see to it that we will no longer advertise on ANY Clear Channel station EVER. We would not want Clear Channel's bad decision and the resulting public outcry be a bad reflection on our company. The many comments of the listeners signing this petition alone should be enough to make this happen. The next time a Clear Channel advertising account rep visits our offices I will promptly show them the door. Clear Channel can now join Sinclair Broadcasting with Mark Hymen dead last 11PM News? Center and Fox News continued ratings drop as media outlets that cannot seem to get a clue what the majority want. If this happens... GOODBYE Clear Channel, I hope you it cost you many advertising \$\$\$ and market share. You should regret this mistake and fire <u>everyone involved</u>
michael	Ronfeldt	4	
Charlie	Jackson	43113	
James	Nugent	43021	Here another idea. Lets listen to the new format if it really starts and see who the advertisers are and then call them and say we will never buy their products. Maybe that will get their attention. Neocons only understand money!!!
Michael	Smalz	43215	
Joseph	Aprile	98126	Are you kidding me? Keep progressive radio for every American! We all own the air waves!
JR	Chase	98126	I love Randi Rhodes, Stephanie Miller, Thom Hartman, Al Franken, Ed Schultz, Mike Malloy - and most of all, I love what they tell us. We need to be educated. Our history is so important to our future. These air personalities are helping us learn about our past.
Ken	Eaton	80030	
cindy	stewart	3220	THE CONSERVATIVE ELITES WANT ONLY ONE TYPE OF TALK RADIO. THAT'S THE CONSERVATIVE HATE FORMAT THAT JUST DIVIDES ORDINARY, SALT-OF-THE-EARTH PEOPLE. WE MUST TAKE BACK THE PUBLICLY-OWNED AIRWAVES SO THE CONTENT REFLECTS ALL AMERICANS. THE RIGHT-WINGERS BOYCOTT ADVERTISERS AT THE BAT OF AN EYE. THAT'S OUR ONLY
Corbin	Whiting	3612	KEEP CONSERVATIVE PROPAGANDA OFF THE AIR WAVES!!!!
Lerah	Allen	0119	
Charles	Workman	3147	Free Speech? The Truth? Sure, Clear Channel is for that as much as the administration in Washington.
Dorothy	SACKS	2459	Please do not take Al Franken etc. off the air. It is the only program I ever listen to and I am lost without them.
lee	king	5002	help! i live in cincy can hear anything but progressive lies
mary	king	5002	my husband ment conservtive lies

William	McLoughlin	43220	President Rove has already succeeded in using his hood ornament, George W. Bush, to erode our constitutional rights. Please do not allow him and his ilk to take control of the air waves in Ohio.
Rich	Long	44691	
John	Davis	43204	The people of this country have the right to hear the progressive viewpoint. Isn't the opportunity to listen to all views what our democracy is about?
Kelly	Roth	43123	C'mon. Ohio does not want right wing radio. Keep WTPG Progressive.
Dave	Morris	43055	Here we go again. The Republicans learned long ago that if you say it loud and long enough, it will appear to be the truth!!
Michael	Kelly	43204	We want progressive, not regressive radio in Columbus.
Stacey	Kelly	43204	I listen to 1230 everyday. We want and need progressive talk radio in central ohio. If we can't find it on 1230, we WILL find it somewhere else.
Annaliese	Mehrle	43221	I believe the number of listeners will grow as the with the Democrats in majority in congress.
Teckla	Dando	45371	I am outside of your ratings area, but I listen to your station. Lots of people outside of the immediate area listen to progressive stations, because there are so few of them. Remember us!! We listen through static and weak signals to hear you.
Diana	Perlenfein	43229	
David And Catherine	Rinehardt	43201	
Kristine	Wright	43026	We need porgressive radio in Columbus!
John	Gibson	43206	Air American programs are needed to maintain informed citizen voters
Denise	Moore	02048	I listened to progressive talk radio all day in Boston. The same thing that has happened in Columbus, is happening here too. Bring back progressive talk radio now!
Michele	Addison	43229	I find it very difficult to believe that in a city like Columbus Ohio, that there is not enough room f a radio station that promotes a progressive point of view. By eliminating the progressive format of WTPG, you have proved that Columbus is no better than most cities and that the progressive voice is a voice that must be silenced. I am very disappointed and saddened that this is happening. Progressives deserve a voice just as much as anyone else.
Joshua	Worrel	43221	I like listening to many of the programs on 1230 during Lunch and on the way home from work. It's a refreshing change from having to listen to other more conservative talk shows such as Rush.
Jeff	Johnson	43026	Please keep the progressive format on AM1230!
Michelle	Turner	43212	I am an avid listener of AM 1230 and I became concerned when music was playing during the traditional time for advertising. I hope the "owners" of the station exhausted every avenue to keep the radio running in the current format before switching their platform. We should at least be allowed to have some kind of forum with the people in c so we can ask some questions. For example Who is in charge and what messures have been taken to keep the progressive format? Perhaps there is some committee that could help save AM 1230. Isn't there something we can do? Why let it just go away and be replaced with right wing talk? I am very disappointed. I am a station I have come to rely on. I am sure it is just going to be replaced. I will continue to listen to the line and I can, but it will not be the same. I'll save my AM 1230. Send me a bumper sticker I will put it on my car. Send me a teeshirt I will wear it everyday. Columbus needs progressive talk it makes our town more diverse and it has a place in our town.
Joseph	Marioth	43065	Keep AM1230 Progressive! There is nothing else like it on the dial.
Chandler	Cobe	43017	While I don't agree with a lot of the opinions expressed on the programs I think it is important to have a forum for hearing all sides of the issues. Please retain the programming as it is.

nda	owrey	3078	I have contacted 5/3rd bank to thank them for advertising on progressive radio. I was so thrilled when I could hear some views that differ from the standard conservative radio. I believe that progressive radio is really serving a purpose in allowing listeners to have a choice. To be able even to listen to both sides of an argument. I believe that dominance of conservative radio has cause a deep division in the people of this country and that the people of this country are tired of that divisiveness. Balancing this dominance may achieve in the long run real respectful dialogues on the issues we must address as a country. Why is clear channel doing this across the nation? What do they have to gain? Should we "follow the
nda	ones	3235	I can not believe that Clear Channel wanted to make money by promoting as little as possible by using air america to fill their pockets, only to take it away. My my we MUST be scared to want to be rid of the program to bring silence to the truth as we have heard it! Columbus is the STATE of Ohio full of a city of progressive people!! Keep the Show alive or I will NEVER LISTEN to 1230 ever again, and will work with the people to create another talk show in Central Ohio!!
ndrew	acobs	3209	Please retain the current programming on 1230 AM. We should be able to hear all sides of the issues.
heryl	rick	3065	Clear Channel will definitely lose a listener if progressive radio is removed. It is so refreshing to listen to something other than the conservative opinion. Why remove progressive radio after an election that proved that people want a change. If there aren't enough listeners, maybe it's because people don't know they are there. Maybe some advertising is the answer. I, for one, did not know the station existed until my son, who moved here from Colorado, informed me. Now it is all I listen to. I am greatly disappointed in Clear Channel.
Justin	Overby	3081	Keep the progressive voice on the airwaves in central Ohio!!!!
manda	Overby	3081	Keep progressives on the radio in Ohio.
Michael	corcoran	3235	
haron	Johnson	7042	Progressive radio is important to free speech of this entire nation, not just Ohio.

Michael	Schuller	43081	While I have heard about your broadcast, I have never listened to it. The reason is simple, I don't enjoy radio broadcast. For me, if it involves audio, I'm listening to a television broadcast or MY SELECTION of music. A good friend asked me to look up your site. So, here I am. I think it is important for you to continue your efforts to broadcast an alternative to the many outrageous conservative broadcasts that currently litter the airwaves. It's tragic that the conservative force-fed view can somehow be commercially viable. Just like trickle down economics, the ultra conservative approach to today's issues simply doesn't work. President Bush's agenda, the idiotic war in Iraq, charter education, etceteras, are prime examples of the tragic effects of these types of efforts and opinions. Our recent elections have provided today's answer to force-fed efforts: "We've had enough". It had to happen. History has proven this time after time. A democratic society will only tolerate the present administrations type of behavior for short periods. The only reason George W. Bush was elected was because society was desperately grasping for straws. Many were fooled because an agenda might be tied to "Family Values" or some similarly silly concept. Unfortunately, the liberal candidates at that time offered no better leadership prospects. As a country, we went too far right and now we are heading towards center again. Unfortunately, it cost us 100's of billions of dollars to learn our lesson. What our country needs is leadership. I encourage you to continue your efforts to develop a commercially viable station. The time should now be right. Of course, I caution you to avoid the idiotic extremes of the ultra right. In other words, don't be stupid left. Define leadership so the populace understands what good and effective leadership is. Telling, as the conservative party has arrogantly done since (most recently) the Contract With America, is not leadership. Effective leadership begins with an understanding of the challenges before us. It continues with a unified plan to face those challenges. Then it flourishes with inspired confidence to work toward a common goal which benefits the masses, not the few. Great things happen with effective leadership. Good leaders do not tell. Good leaders inspire. They guide. They develop unity. They recognize a need for change, even when it conflicts with their original plan. They are honest about their intentions. They are true to their followers. They are respectful. They don't snicker when they think less of their opponents opinion. We need effective leadership in D.C. and throughout the United States. Help us find them and help our prospective leaders discover
Brad	Steinmetz	43311	
Daniel	DeSantis	43212	
Nathan	Bolen	43213	Air america is all I listen too. Don't take it away.
Patricia	barnett	43235	
Linda	Lobao	43212	
		43085	
		43229	Please keep the current programming on WTPG-1230am Progressive
Gregory	Christie	43207	Radio
	Farmer	42701	Progressive radio is the wave of the future. You can either get on aboard or be left behind. I support only stations that support progressive ideals. Please do your listeners, your employees and your shareholders a public service...get rid of the hate fest known as right wing and/or conservative radio. The MAJORITY of citizens do not support the lies spread by "conservative" radio.
Kathleen	Boston	3202	Progressive talk radio is a necessary breath of fresh air as an alternative to conservative talk shows. Please leave it in Columbus, it has qrc since its inceptio and will continue to row.
Susan	Richardson	:	We need diversity of opinion and we need progressive radio

Joel	irtle	3081	I knew it would not last, just another reason I am leaving Ohio. I only listened to CBE, OSU, and Air America/1230. The last Ohio election was too little too late...this state has gone from 3-4 in every economic and social ranking to 40-50th, all because of the conservative republican rule for the last 15 years. If all central Ohio will support is conservative talking idiots and liars, if that is all they want then they can have it. I will miss Ed Schultz and Al Franken. I will have to listen to Satellite radio or online streaming of
Andrew	ills	43202	
THOMAS	ILLER	43214	We are headed toward a single source media outlet controlled by large corporations beholden to the government. Cast off clear channel!
Karen	Moots	43040	
Marlene	Lynn	43085	Your channel is the only channel that is programmed into my car, so that I don't have to scan for it. This station has been my lifeline to sanity as I can afford satellite radios.
Gina			
Boba	angen	3214	Please reconsider your decision to eliminate this service to Central Ohio.
	mith	3224	Who owns the radio spectrum? Where is the FCC? When is this station up for license renewal? Who owns Clear Channel? Is Randy Michaels still involved as an owner?
Christine	ihon	3214	Progressive radio is important to me and Central Ohio because it provides some balance to our on air media that will not exist if WTPG goes away. Franklin county has demonstrated a noticeable shift toward the left in recent election results. We should have room for all viewpoints in the media.
	hapiro	2660	Clear Channel should stop pretending to provide access to liberal talk radio. They or their conservative employees do not make a sincere effort to market advertising on progressive stations. This can be understood if you know that the Republicans through the 1vote majority on the FCC has permitted massive consolidation of the broadcast industry. Since Democrats in general oppose further consolidation, Clear Channel and other media companies oppose them and want their voices silenced. Write your congressman and ask them to support divestitures and reinstatement
Beth	Hanson	3212	Progressive Radio is one of the few things that gives me hope and keeps me buoyed up in these dark times, and is all I listen to in my car.
Peter	Shane	3201	There is nothing we need less than another outlet for extreme right-wing views, which are available in every market and via every medium in the U.S. WTPG provides a unique platform in central Ohio for the expression of left-of-center viewpoints.
Melissa	Callais	43202	
Mari	jones	43212	I listen to air america every day and I am upset that there is any chance it will be discontinued as its audience is growing all the time.

ine	ubbard	3204	<p>With democrats taking the country, it is clear the people are open to hearing what they have to say. At one time in this country, the media presented diverse points of view. It is an insult to the voters that this is being done in Ohio, a swing state, because conservatives are desperate to retain power. Just like in congress they did not practice civility and bipartisanship (that Bush is now seeking from democrats) and silenced congress by excluding them from meetings, so, too, do they now shut the people out by letting them only hear one voice. You can take away the media and likely will, but you cannot silence the people like you did our representatives because the people united can never be defeated. Go downtown and talk to people as I have and you will find very few into Bush and his party. We took the presidency in 2000 and 2004 and you stole both elections..but we the people will not give up. We took a stand against the war and for peace..we are a party of the people and tolerance and compassion and we do not want to hear the hatred of so many of the conservative talk show hosts. This is a bad decision as you are splitting your market and hurting advertisers..the conservatives had 610 and supported those advertisers and we had 1230 and the progressives supported those advertisers. Now if you have viewers! on the new format, they will be the old 610 listeners so no new consumers will be gotten. Most progressives will not listen to the new show or support the advertisers. Hopefully, the corporate owned media will lose money and tick the people (the majority) off so bad for blatantly trying to control them by controlling what they hear, that they will do their best to boycott them and the corporations like Walmart's, federal express, Exxon mobile, and McDonald's and others who boycotted advertising on air America (full list here)</p> <p>http://mediamatters.org/items/200610310008?src=item200610310008</p> <p>Since they have taken our vote, our remaining power is our money and how we spend and don't spend it. I hope the signers of this petition, consider boycotting the many corporations who are tax cheating, environment destroying, and job exporting as well as media propagandising and buying.</p>
icott	tuart	3235	<p>You know. I never thought about how much I appreciated having 1230 before I knew it was leaving. I check in several times each day and listen to Stephanie to start my morning. Do we really need the ability to hear the 4th conservative voice?</p>
iraig	losier	3026	No way I'll to the new station!!!

I	nkins	3206	I will so miss being entertained to Stephanie Miller, getting completely informed by the passionate Randi Rhode, enjoying the interesting Laura Flanders, etc. I will be happy to see Lionel go..I knew the people who brought is 6:10am could not be trusted to do progressive radio. I knew they were just wanting our advertising by pulling us in to what we longed to hear with conservative talk radio shoved down our throats when they took the powerhouses like Stephanie, Randi, and Mike Malloy and put them on at 9 in the morning and 3 in the am or once or twice a week and the prime time listening brought us near conservatives like Ed Shultz and the awful Lionel..they wanted it to fail after they made a few bucks off us..but when they saw how successful the progressive talk show hosts were in giving us the true story of the corruption etc..when they saw the superior format in using wit and sarcasm and facts and intelligent discourse instead of hatred and lack of compassion like the reps did..when they saw the republican state of Ohio fall, they realized it wasn't worth the advertising money they got...giving knowledge and truth to the people is a dangerous thing. When the vote went blue, they claim they lost money...when really they lost votes and the hearts and minds of the people. I hope the people will no longer trust clear channel to do talk radio..let's somehow get our own talk radio of the e with no rules coming from headquarters (like when Randi was told not to talk about vote fraud anymore)...if we get the corporate conservative money out of our progressive radio, this could be a blessing in disguise..we might even lure our favorite away from their conservative bosses to be free to say whatever they want. I hope something good eventually comes of
Alli	/oods	3085	Please no! I too love Stephanie Miller; I hope 1230 stays as is.
Gloria	yerly	3221	
Ryan	arni	3214	My friends and I all listen to AM 1230 while we're driving to work or working in the house. I support their advertisers as well. It would be a tragedy to have Al Franken et al on AM 1230 be replaced by someone like Michael Weiner (Savage).
Donna	oxey	3214	Limbaugh and his ilk already get massive air time. Keep Miller, Franken and the others to provide Columbus the only different viewpoint.
Sue	l'Keeffe	3214	I have been listening to progressive radio since it began here in Columbus and feel that it is one of the few sources of media that tells the real story. I will be very, very disappointed if you take Air America off your station and have no intention of listening to your new program format if you do so.
Susan	arwark	3201	The programs you have on 1230 (Stephanie Miller, etc.) provide balance...and interest. Especially after the last election, when the voters demonstrated that they wanted a balance, a change, why would you want to change/eliminate the Air America programs? Why add more of the same? Why more redundancy? Please preserve this venue for a
Kathleen	arman	3213	I was thrilled when I first discovered WTPG 1230. I thought "FINALLY the voice of reason has come to Ohio." Now I don't know what to think. If they take away this station format will I NEVER listen to ANY Clear Channel station or purchase anything advertised on a Clear Channel station again and I will do whatever it takes to convince my friends to do the same.
Kelly	lann	2901	You will keep advertising dollars, But LOSE listeners. The fall out will be Monumental. So what's the point? My fellow Patriots know when they are being Propagandized. Clear Channel can participate in the truth movement OR contribute to the fall of this great Republic. If your not part of the solutionyour being neo-conned. ***** POWER TO MOVEMENT
Pete	'uzakulics	3206	I listen to WTPG every single day. I can assure you that if the format changes, I will never listen to it again.
Larry	rown	3	
Charlie	Wilson	3235	I listen to 1230AM every day. please keep progressi radio
Chuck	leppner	1323	Bad mistake. You know the cost of everything but the value of nothing.